



## Monday Morning Report

February 6, 2017

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### INTERNAL

The Corridor Council's Executive Committee will next meet at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, February 15, at our offices on 304 N. CM Allen Parkway, **San Marcos**. Mike Frisbie, Director/City Engineer of **San Antonio's** Transportation & Capital Improvements department will discuss the city's proposed bond package. All members are invited. We will also be discussing aspects of automated vehicle implementation. Please RSVP your attendance to [council@thecorridor.org](mailto:council@thecorridor.org).

Join us February 21<sup>st</sup> for our '2017 **San Antonio** Mayoral Forum' with Mayor Ivy Taylor & City Councilman Ron Nirenberg on the Future of the **Alamo City**. Lunch begins at 11:00 am at the Plaza Club, 100 West Houston #2100, **San Antonio**. [Details](#).

We now offer newstream items to subscribers: (Google+ Communities) Information and links to [Connected Automated Vehicles, Trains & Transit](#) and [Contracting Opportunities](#). Click on any of the communities for membership approval/access. Please note that you must have a Google account. Questions? Email [council@thecorridor.org](mailto:council@thecorridor.org).

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### INFRASTRUCTURE

TxDOT has launched My35Construction.org, a new construction website to keep the public informed while I-35 is under construction in the Capital Area. The website features up-to-date information about lane closures, travel delays, and crashes for active Mobility35 construction projects. Visitors to the [website](#) can sign up for updates and notifications.

The US Senate has confirmed Elaine Chao as the 18th US Transportation Secretary by a vote of 93-6, and she was sworn in to office in **Washington** January 31. [Story](#).

After spending years as a target of **Dallas** activists, I-345 is now among a list of US highways that a national group thinks should be torn down. But a lot may have to happen before city leaders decide the freeway's fate. [Story](#).

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### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (and 'Other' News)

Frontier Airlines will offer a nonstop service from **San Antonio** to **Chicago** O'Hare International Airport (ORD) starting April 23. [Story](#).

Google Maps has unveiled a new maps feature that helps you find parking. The new feature in Google Maps estimates how much trouble you will have finding a parking spot based on past data. The parking difficulty icon will be displayed within Google Maps in 25 metro areas across the country. [Story](#).

After 16 years in office, **Round Rock** mayor Alan McGraw is calling it quits. He pointed to downtown revitalization efforts and the recently-signed Kalahari Resorts development deal as signs that the city is progressing economically. Mayor pro-tem Craig Morgan has already announced his candidacy to replace McGraw. [Details](#).

Some **Caldwell County** employees had to scramble financially last week when a 'miscommunication' occurred that resulted in county paychecks being late - all the result of an ongoing debate over whether to issue 24 or 26 paychecks per year. [Details](#).

After crossing the threshold to over 30,000 in population, **Seguin** continues to boom in development and job opportunities - particularly due to infrastructure improvements near the city - with an unemployment figure of just 3.4%, according to Mayor Don Keil in an update seen [here](#).

**San Antonio** and South Texas officials have been lamenting the conflicts generated by the Trump administration with Mexico on trade and immigration, and they are not alone: our neighbors in Southern California are expressing many of the same concerns [here](#) to the **Los Angeles Times**.

## Thought of the Week

*"When you jump for joy, beware that no one moves the ground from beneath your feet."*

*~Stanislaw Lec*